

3009 Bowman

West Austin Case

Overview

Request: Recommend against historic zoning.

Code Criteria (Must Meet Two)	3009 Bowman
Architecture	?
Historic Association	?
Archaeology	✗
Community Value	✗
Landscape Feature	✗

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A Question of Integrity: Architecture

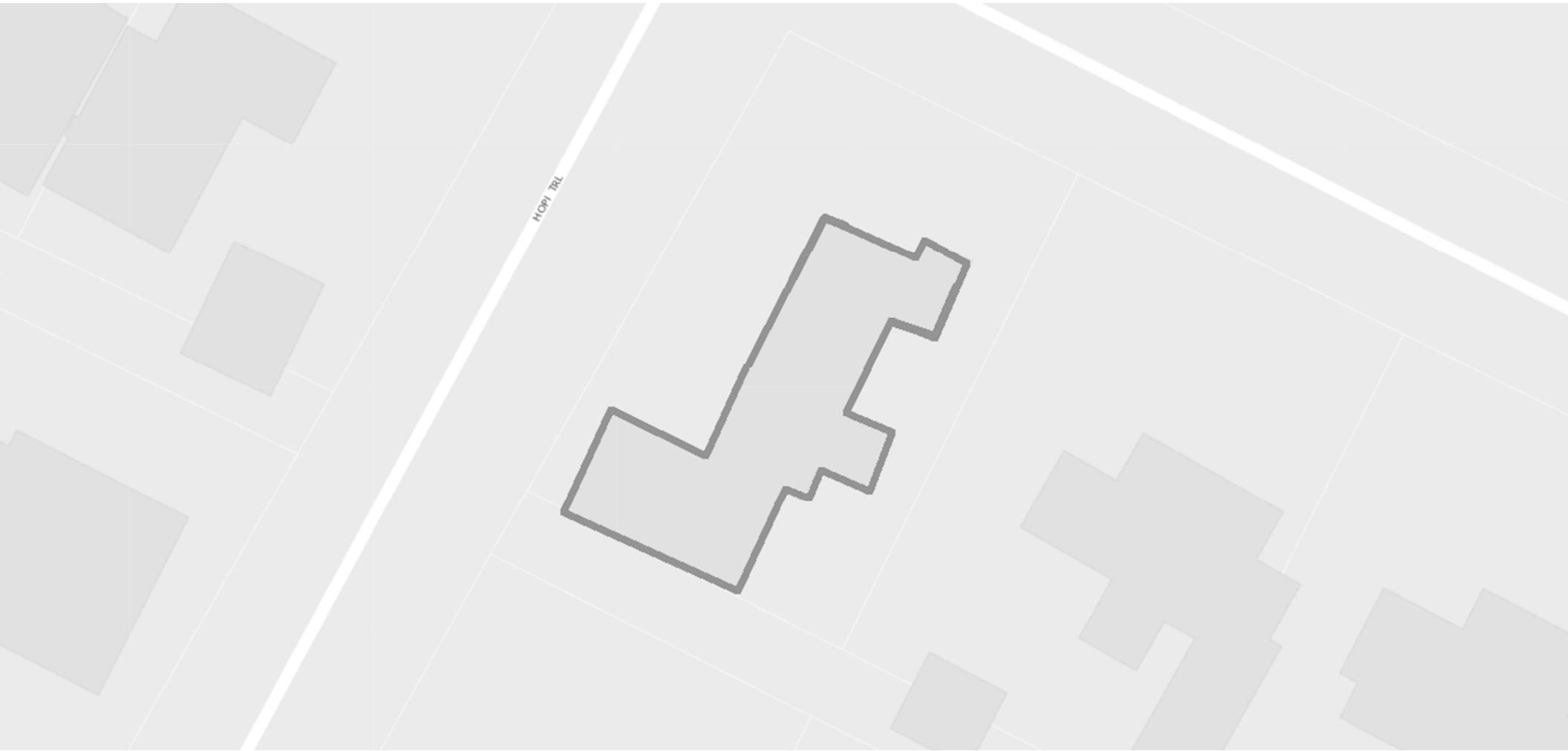
Staff Report:

*“[T]he new addition to the south dwarfs [the original part of the house] so **there is a question of integrity** here that the Commission needs to decide as to whether the house meets the architectural significance criterion at this point.*

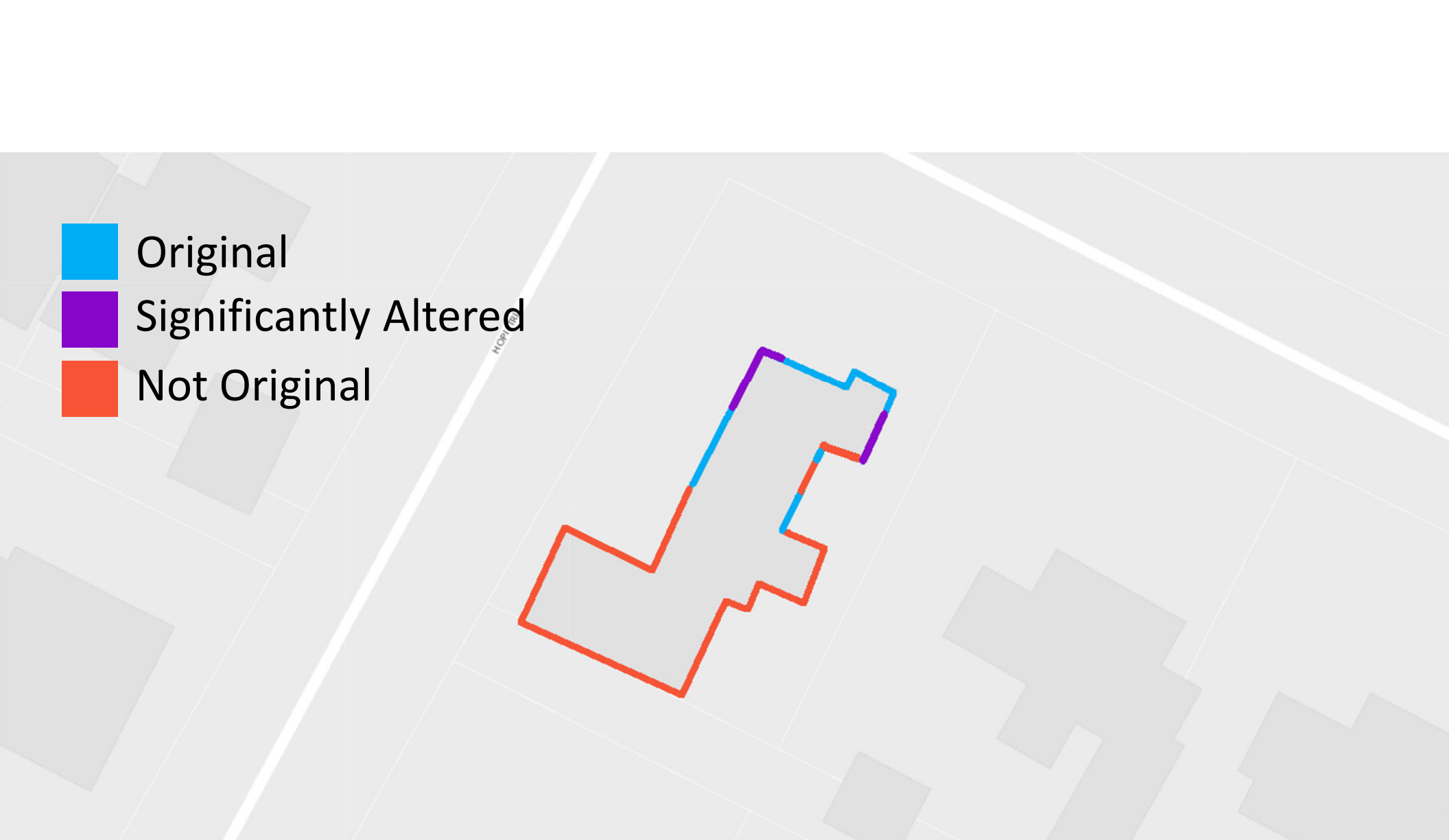
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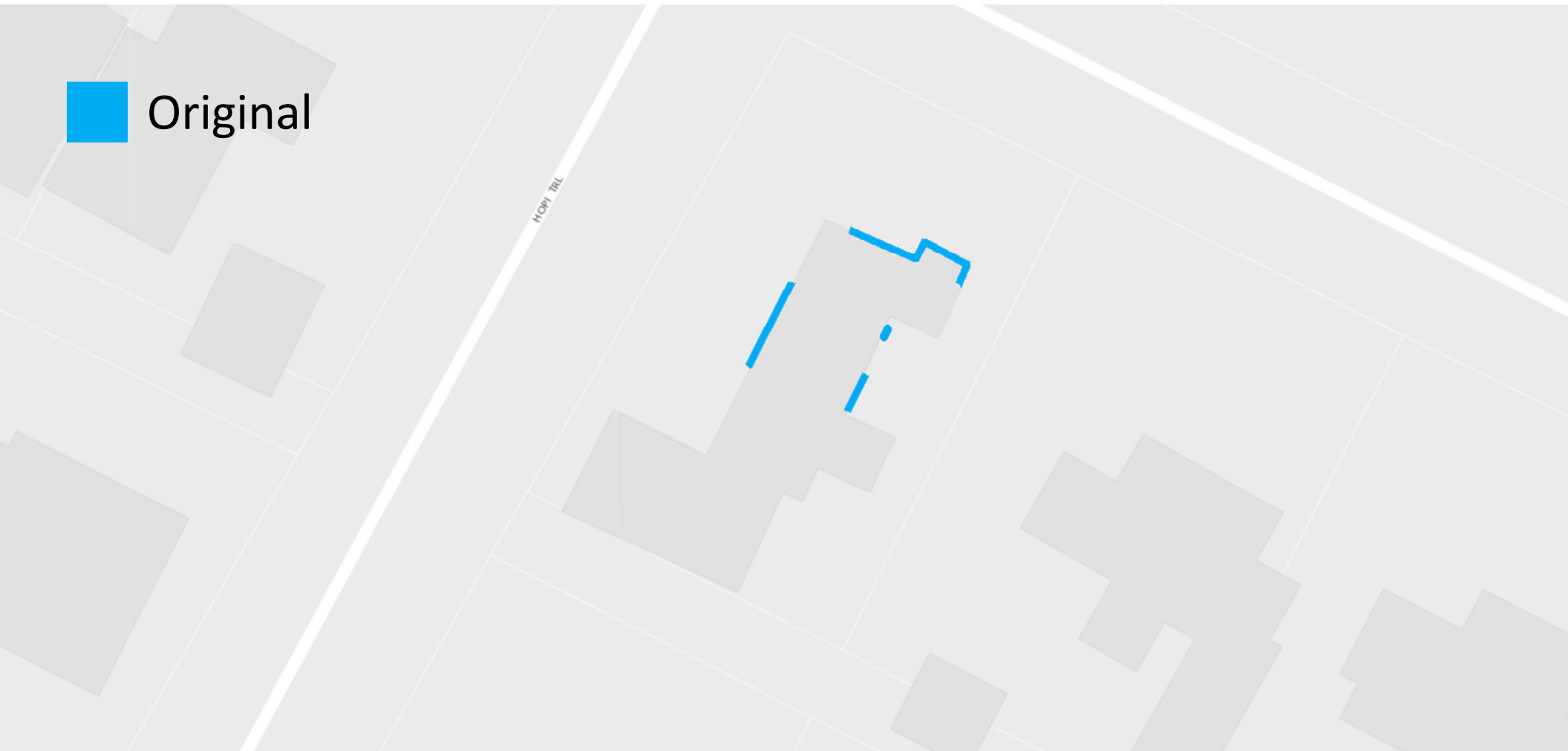
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Site Footprint

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- The image shows an aerial view of a building complex. A white line, likely a road or railway, runs diagonally from the top left towards the bottom right. The building complex is outlined with a colored line. The legend indicates that blue represents 'Original', purple represents 'Significantly Altered', and red represents 'Not Original'. The building complex is primarily red, with some blue and purple sections.
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Historic Association

Historic Association: Rev. John Barclay

- Pastor at Central Christian Church when LBJ was in the congregation.
- Offered a prayer at the inauguration of LBJ/JFK (1961).

Policy Questions for Consideration:

- While Rev. Barclay, like many local leaders, knew LBJ, does this connection warrant historic designation?
- If connection to LBJ is sufficient for historic designation, such a decision – when applied consistently – would likely result in designation (and tax exemption) for various other West Austin homes.

Condition: Lead Paint

The property owners hired experts to conduct an environmental test of the original portion of the home, which confirmed that lead paint is present in the existing home.

This has contributed to the property owner's decision to seek to construct a new, less compromised home on the site.

Historic Designation Criteria

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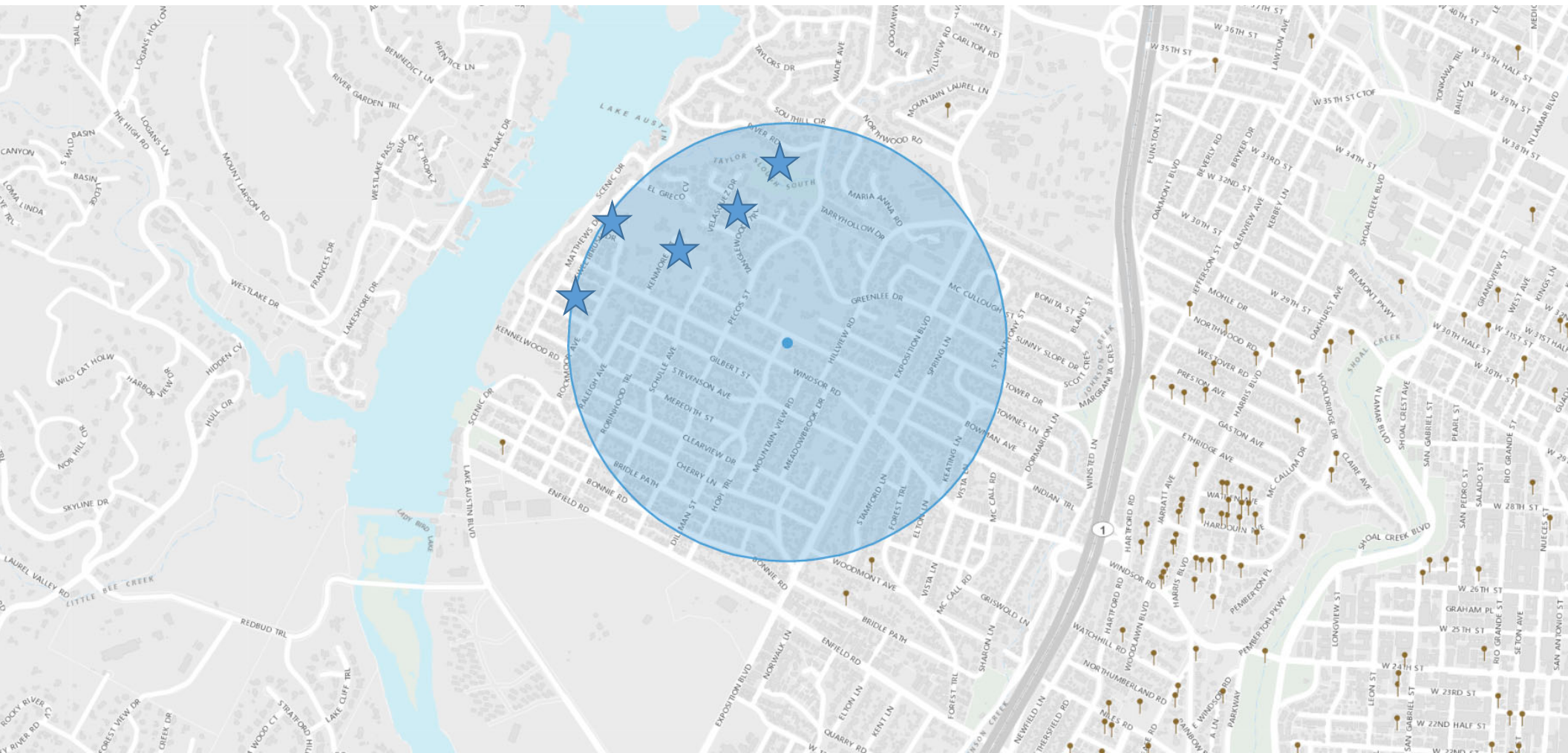
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Recap

Staff has indicated that 3009 Bowman “may” meet two criteria for historic designation related to Rev. John Barclay.

However, the original structure has undergone significant changes, and staff states that the current building would likely be unrecognizable to Rev. Barclay.

Ultimately, the structure does not meet criteria for historic designation – and we ask that HLC recommend against historic zoning.



There are five historic landmarks within a half-mile of this property